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Reminder: Storm Debris Drop-Off Site Hours and Locations Changing This Week

Grand Traverse County – The Grand Traverse County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is reminding residents that the hours and locations of storm debris drop-off sites are changing this week.

At 7 p.m. tonight, August 25, the site at the Ashmore Gravel Pit, located at 7304 Skegemog Point Road, closes. Now, residents are asked to take all storm-related tree debris to the former East Bay Township Recycling Site at 656 Rasha Road.

Contractors are encouraged to use their local resources for proper disposal of any remaining large loads. The former East Bay Township Recycling Site is not able to accept loads of debris from contractors.

“If you are still cleaning up from the storms, you are urged to take advantage of this continued free service provided by the county and state to drop off your brush, limbs, and logs,” said Gregg Bird, Grand Traverse County Emergency Management Coordinator. Bird said that the demand for the debris drop-off site will continue to be monitored to determine a final date for accepting debris.

The East Bay Township location will be open to residents for the next two weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m., and this coming Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If it appears that this drop-off site no longer is needed, according to Bird, the site may close permanently at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 3.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer to direct drop-offs at the East Bay Township storm debris site is asked to call 616-841-5399.

Citizens are asked to work with their insurance companies to cover damages caused by the severe storms.

About the Disaster

Governor Rick Snyder declared a "state of disaster" on August 10 for Grand Traverse County. By declaring a "state of disaster," the state of Michigan has made available all state resources in cooperation with local response and recovery efforts in the disaster area.

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